

THE JOHN P. HOLT
BRENTWOOD LIBRARY

BROWSER

Illumination lies within.



Summer Reading Starts May 23rd

Summer is almost here and so is the Summer Reading Program! Our theme this year is *Universe of Stories* and with it we have some great activities planned.

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

May 27

In honor of Memorial Day

Online registration will begin May 23rd for teens and adults. Registrants will be able to track books and time spent reading, write book reviews, and earn digital badges by attending events. Be sure to visit the library homepage for the sign up details.

Collecting for Soles 4 Souls through May

What if the shoes you no longer want could create jobs for people in need? They can! Donate your new and gently-worn shoes in our lobby drop off bin.

For more information on Soles 4 Souls, visit their [Information](#) page.

Children's Summer Reading Details

Join us this summer for the Universe of Stories 2019 Summer Reading Program. Registration begins on Thursday, May 23 in person in the Children's Library and runs through Wednesday, July 3. Registration for summer classes begins on Monday, May 13 so visit the Calendar page on the library website.



For Preschool activities please register in person at the Children's Desk.

For more information or questions, please ask the Children's Library staff.

SHRED DAY

Free Shred Day at the library! Bring your papers to shred between 9am and 1pm out in the library parking lot. No registration needed. Drive thru shredding in the parking lot will be May 11th from 9am until 1pm or until the shred truck reaches capacity.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

Shred Fest Day Saturday, May 11; 9am-1pm

The John P. Holt Brentwood Library and City of Brentwood present a Free Shred Day at the library. Bring your papers to shred between 9am and 1pm out in the library parking lot. No registration needed. Drive-thru shredding in the parking lot will be from 9am until 1pm or until the shred truck reaches capacity.



Native Plants vs. Invaders Thursday, May 9 10am-12pm

Join us as we explore the complex relationships between plants and pollinators. Learn why growing native plants is crucial to the survival of our native bees, butterflies, and birds and how non-native and invasive plants threaten their existence. Discover the role honeybees play in our food supply and how you can help them flourish. Free program. [Registration required.](#)



AARP Driver's Course Thursday & Friday, May 9 & 10 9:15am-1:15pm

Participants will learn about good driving habits and get a special discount on their insurance. If a family has two cars, both husband and wife can take the course to get the discount on both cars. The AARP Driver Safety Program is the nation's first and largest refresher course for drivers age 50 and older that has helped millions of drivers remain safe on today's roads. Please bring a valid Tennessee license and your AARP card if you have one. This is a two-day class and you must attend both days. [Register here.](#)
Class Fee: \$15 - AARP Members; \$20 - Non AARP Members



Just the Facts - Preparing Alzheimer's Caregivers Tuesdays, May 14, 21 and 28; 1-2:30pm

Do you have a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease? This three part series is designed for family members and friends learning to live with the joys and challenges of caregiving. This workshop is not open to professional caregivers.



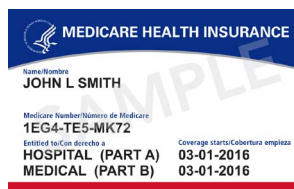
Normal Aging/Not Normal Aging Monday, May 13; 6:30pm

This workshop helps learners understand and recognize the differences in "normal" and "not normal" aging. The workshop emphasizes the value of matching helping behaviors to the person's needs and retained abilities to promote a sense of control and self-direction, and addresses typical issues that occur throughout the progression of dementia. Presented in partnership with MHA of the Midsouth. Free program. [Register here.](#)



Medicare Made Simple Tuesday, May 21; 6pm Thursday, May 23; 1pm

Join us for a presentation designed for those turning 65 and older who need to make a decision on Medicare and would like to be more educated. We will show what Medicare covers, doesn't cover, Medigap options, and Prescription Drug choices to consider. After this 1 hour workshop, each individual should have a clear understanding what plan is best for them! Free programs. [Register for Tuesday here.](#) [Register for Thursday here.](#)



A Guided Tour of Ancient Rome Tuesday, May 21; 6:30pm

The remains of the ancient city survive among the medieval, renaissance and modern structures that make up the city of Rome today, which is aptly known as the "Eternal City." Dr. Cleve takes the audience on a guided tour of the most important surviving remains of ancient Rome, illustrated with images collected during 23 visits to Rome. Questions and discussion by the audience are welcome. Free program. [Register here.](#)



MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Friday Movie Matinee Fridays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 1pm

Bring your own snacks and kick back for a free movie. Seats are limited.

[Register online.](#)

May 3: TBD
May 10: TBD
May 17: TBD
May 24: TBD
May 31: TBD



Book Discussions

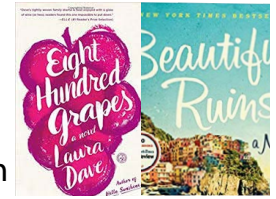
Tuesday, May 28, 10am-12pm

Eight Hundred Grapes

by Laura Dave

Thursday, May 16, 10-11:30am

Beautiful Ruins by Jess Walter



Books for both discussions are available to sign out from Brigid Day's office. Please call first to make sure a copy is currently available. 615-371-0090 ext 8510. Free programs.

Whole Foods Market

Wednesday, May 22; 1pm

Dori will demonstrate healthy recipes and participants will get to taste them. Free program. [Register online.](#)



Bridge Night at the Library

Thur. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; 6-7:45pm

Know how to play Bridge and want to practice? Come on over for an evening of Bridge

- no instructor will be present. Email brigid.day@brentwoodtn.gov to join the mailing list.



Mah Jongg Club

Mondays, May 6, 13, 20
12:30-3:30pm

All Mah Jongg players are welcome to attend! Free program. If you would like lessons, email brigid.day@brentwoodtn.gov to schedule them. No Mah Jongg on May 27.



Stitching for Charity

Tuesday, May 21
10am - Noon

Bring your knitting needles and crochet hooks... we'll provide the yarn and instructions. Blankets, scarves, hats are donated to those in need.



Conversational English
Wednesdays and Fridays
10:30am-12pm

Join us for a session of practicing conversational English. Free program. No registration required.



Feldenkrais: Movement for Comfort

Monday, May 20, 10:30am-12:30pm

Class fee: \$10

We'll continue to explore how the use of our feet can affect us all the way up our body.

[Register online.](#)



Financial Workshops

Instructor: Joe Budd

Wednesday, May 8

12pm - Media Replay: How the media can short circuit your portfolio.

1pm - Concepts for retirement and financial planning success.



Advanced Spanish Meet-Up

Monday, May 13

6-7:30pm

Facilitator: Don Korzekwa

This group meets every other Monday to improve Spanish speaking skills in a fun and social way. Free program. No registration. No class on May 27.



Genealogy - Can You Find Your Family in the Census?

Thursday, May 16

6-7:45pm

Instructor: Holly Hebert

Census records are some of the most important records that genealogists use. Find out why and how to make the best use of them. [Register here.](#)

FITNESS

Monday

10am Core Flex & Resistance
11am Revive Restorative Yoga

Tuesday

9am Pilates Mat Class
10:15am Flow into Joy Yoga

Wednesday

9am Tai Chi
10am FXP Hula Hoop
11am Revive Restorative Yoga



New Classes on Fridays

1pm Boomer Sculpt and Sweat - 40 and older cardio workout
2pm Restorative Breathing and Stress Reduction - deep breathing, stretching, and yoga poses.

Thursday

9:30am Pilates Mat Class
10:45am Flow Into Joy Yoga

Friday

9am Gentle Yoga
3pm Tai Chi

All classes are \$5 per session, cash or check, paid to the instructor at the time of class. Bring your own mat or use one of ours. Monday and Wednesday classes are taught by Nichole Morrison. Tuesday classes are taught by Maria Guse. Tai Chi is taught by Xiao Zheng. Friday Yoga is taught by Kim Cannon. Boomer Sculpt and Restorative Breathing are taught by Brenda Russell.

No classes on Thursday, May 2, Monday, May 27, or Thursday, May 30.

ART & CRAFT CLASSES

Buttery, Brilliant, Blendable Oil Pastels

Saturday, May 18; 2-4pm

Class fee: \$35

Their creamy consistency and brilliant colors make oil pastels a fun medium to explore. Oil pastels can be used for both drawing and painting! In this class, you'll learn ways to work with this medium, and then practice your new skills to produce a couple of finished works of art. The process is fun for all skill levels.

2-hour Adult class, also open to teens. [Register online.](#)



"Who Loves Ya?" - Acrylic

Sunday, May 26; 2-5pm

Class fee: \$40

These Robin companions have an important job to do...and dad is taking care of mom as she warms those eggs. Even the worm is showing some love! Paint these two springtime cuties together - It's a 3-hour class suitable for any experience level (beginners welcome). [Register online.](#)



Crochet Hat Class

Tuesday, May 14; 1-3pm

For crochet beginners, the thought of crocheting a hat might seem like a complicated feat, but we promise you that it's really easy to learn! Students need to know single crochet and double crochet. Supplies needed: worsted weight yarn in a light color and size H hook. Free class.

[Register online.](#)

Hat Class: Knitting in the Round

Tuesday, May 28; 1-3pm

Knitting in the Round is an alternative to using two straight needles and having to sew a seam. We will use a circular needle to knit in the round and use two circular needles to decrease and finish the top of the hat. Students need to know how to cast on and knit. There will be homework! Details will be sent to students in time to complete before class. *Supplies needed:* Needles: Two circular needles sized US 13 (9mm). The main circular needle should have a 16 inch cable. The second circular needle can have a 16 in or 24 in cable. Yarn: Bulky yarn size 5 or 6. [Register online.](#)

COMPUTER CLASSES

These computer classes are for adults, ages 18 and older. Classes are free. Detailed information for each class is available on the library calendar by clicking the registration link.

Intro to Computers

Friday, May 3; 10-11am
[Register here.](#)

Intro to Word

Friday, May 10; 2-3pm
[Register here.](#)

Intro to Excel

Tuesday, May 21; 10-11:30am
[Register here.](#)



VOLUNTEER CORNER

Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who work tirelessly shelving returned materials, pulling items that have been placed on hold, straightening shelves, and tidying up the library! We could not do this without you. Another big thank you to all of the library volunteers who helped with the Arbor Day and Easter Egg Hunt events. We appreciate your help handing out tree saplings, face painting adorable designs for the children, and helping with crafts and activities.

Lastly, a shout out to our volunteers who helped paint posters and decorate book carts to assist library staff in preparing for Brentwood's "Golden Gallop" 50th Anniversary Parade. This month it was a delight having so many volunteers come together to serve our community in many different ways! Happy Spring to all of you!



ONLINE RESOURCES

It's never too late to improve your foreign language skills! Are you traveling this summer or want to freshen up your high school Spanish? Take a look at our online language-learning resources! Mango Languages is free for all library patrons and can be accessed online or even on-the-go with an app for most mobile devices and smartphones. Mango's new redesigned website includes an all-in-one interface and new learning activities.

Each lesson combines real life situations and audio from native speakers with simple, clear instructions.

You can choose from over 70 foreign languages, including over 17 ESL courses, or try out fun specialty courses like Pirate, Shakespearean English, or French for Wine and Cheese enthusiasts.



You can access Mango and additional language resources through our website anytime. Just click on eLibrary and scroll down to the Languages section to see all that we have to offer!

FREE ONLINE CLASSES FROM UNIVERSAL CLASS

Learn Anything. Learn Anytime. Learn Anywhere. With Universal Class, you can take a class for fun or build your resume with courses in workplace skills. All free with your John P. Holt Brentwood Library card!

Patrons have 6 months to complete a course and can enroll in up to 5 classes at a time. [Click here](#) to sign up for Universal Class and view all of the available courses, or go to our homepage, click on eLibrary, look under Skill Building.



Featured Courses for May include:

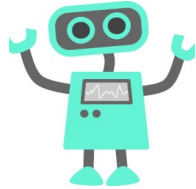
- Cybersecurity 101
- Special Events Planning
- Business Branding 101
- Buying and Selling Antiques and Collectibles
- Resume Writing 101
- Introduction to Cell and Molecular Biology

Code Club

Mondays @ 4:30

May 6th & 20th

Ages 7-12



Origami Folders

For origami beginners!

Mondays @ 4:30

May 13th

Ages 6-12

Kids' Make

Tuesdays @ 4:30 PM

May 7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th

Ages 6-12



Scholastic Chess Club

Wednesdays @ 5:00 PM

Last Class for the Season:
May 1st

Ages 6-12

Fee: \$10

Lego™ Mania!

Calling All Master Builders!

Fridays @ 4:30pm

May 10th & 24th

Ages 5-12



Game Night

Fridays @ 4:30pm

May 3rd, 17th, & 31st

Ages 6-12



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Brentwood Young Gardeners

Interested in plants and gardening?

Come join us this May for Brentwood Young Gardeners!



Thursdays @ 4:30pm

May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th

Ages: 7-12

Crafternoon

Join us for an afternoon craft!



Saturday May 11th @

1:30-2:30pm

Paper Plate Birds

Saturday May 25th @

Tie-Dye Butterflies

Ages 6-12

**For details or registration visit brentwood-tn.libcal.com
or email stephanie.grattan@brentwoodtn.gov**

TEEN CALENDAR

May

Summer Reading
is HERE!

A Universe of Stories:
New programs and great prizes!

Registration opens May 23rd

ALL THURSDAY EVENTS ARE 4PM-5PM
IN THE LEARNING LAB

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TEEN
ANIME
CLUB

Anime and
snacks provided!
No registration
necessary.

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TEEN
ADVISORY
BOARD

Interested in making a
difference in your library?
Email Poppy Krump for
information on how to apply.

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PIZZA
AND
PAGES

Join us for a free slice
of pizza and to discuss
the newest books in
the Teen section!

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BREAKOUT
ROOM CLUB

A different game or
puzzle every month!

**NEW! TEEN
GAME CLUB
5 & 19**

Do you love board
games? Are you a
Dungeons and
Dragons fanatic?
Join us for our new
club, where we
play different
board games, card
games, and RPGs
on Sundays.
Everyone ages 12-
18 welcome!

2:00-5:00 in the Learning Lab

**ACT
CLASSES
28, 29, & 31**

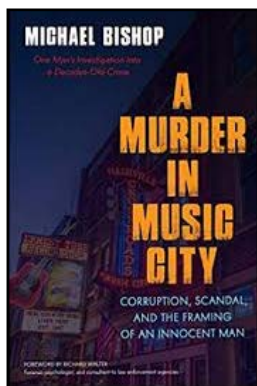
Register online
at [brentwood-tn.
libcal.com](http://brentwood-tn.libcal.com)

QUESTIONS? Email poppy.krump@brentwoodtn.gov

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

SAVE THE DATE!

Spring FOBL meeting and potluck –
Tuesday, May 7th



Join us as we hear from Michael Bishop, author of *A Murder in Music City: Corruption, Scandal, and the Framing of an Innocent Man*. Invitation coming soon via email!



* Note new date

Got Books, Movies, Music, Games, etc. to Donate?

Simply drop small donations at the check out counter at the library during the library's hours.

If you have a large donation, please call ahead and arrange for someone to meet you at the back door with a cart (phone 615-371-0090, ext. 8340). Your contributions are always appreciated!

Thank you Friends!

Thank you for our brand new beautiful tables! They are easy to move and are very user friendly.

Welcome to our New Members:

Catherine Coyne
Bill Coyne
Jen Vogus (Lifetime)

Thank you to Cyn Sweet, Sandra Osborne, and all of the many Friends who volunteered, promoted the sale, and shopped at the sale!

We raised **\$14,692.19** and signed up several new members!



In the Gallery, Andre Churchwell, M.D. will be displaying panels from a comic book he created for young people. This comic targets a specific population that is particularly at risk for high blood pressure: young African American males. Churchwell, Chief Diversity Officer for Vanderbilt University Medical Center and Senior Associate Dean for Diversity Affairs at Vanderbilt University Medical School, creates comics in the hopes of educating and sparking an interest for health concerns in teens. He assembled a team to create this comic. The team includes Mary Gwen Bowen, Carla Beals, Elizabeth Card, Nancy Wells, and Andre, who is the illustrator.



May Art Display

Velma Davies is exhibiting small acrylic paintings in the showcase. The paintings are true representations of several species of butterflies. After high school, Velma studied art and graduated from Peabody College with a BFA, as she wanted to illustrate Christian books. She worked as a Graphic Designer for Lighthouse Publications and Baptist Sunday School Board before teaching art classes in and around Nashville.



Velma now lives in Marietta, Georgia, where she continues to love seeing the Creator in nature and capturing these images of nature in acrylic and watercolor to share with the world.